

MANY PROBLEMS VITAL TO CHURCH

They Will Be Discussed at This Week's Meeting of General Assembly.

HOSTS MOVE ON LEWISBURG

Highest Court of Presbyterian Faith Will Be in Session There.

Lewisburg, W. Va., May 18.—All day commissioners from the South have been plodding up the mountain slope on a little "stem-winding" railroad to participate to-morrow in the opening of the fifth General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States. To-night more than 100 of them were lodged in the homes of the Scotch-Irish Presbyterians of the hamlet, and when Dr. W. E. Boggs, of Atlanta, Ga., moderator of the last assembly, calls the new body to order to-morrow morning, it is expected that practically every one of the 215 commissioners will answer to roll call.

With the advance guard comes the "gospel" to the selection of the moderator. The election of this official will follow immediately after Dr. Boggs' sermon opening the assembly. To-night the name of Dr. B. W. Bachman, of Chattanooga, Tenn., was mentioned most generally for that office, although with now and then a commissioner suggested the name of Governor Mann, of Virginia. Several commissioners brought reports of committees on various subjects, which have agitated preceding assemblies. At the meeting an attempt will be made to dispose of them for once and all.

The committee on amendments to the Confession of Faith will recommend to the assembly, it is said, that the "elect infant" clause be changed so as to express a doubt of the right of the church to infant baptism. Another report will be designed to have the assembly give counsel to minister as to the remarriage of divorcees. The committee on church and college property will submit a report designed to make title and control of the church over its property more secure. Two committees will bring up questions of church organization, one with a view of giving the synod more power and the other to harmonize the executive committees of the church.

Final consideration of most of these questions will be postponed probably until next week. It is believed by many that the assembly will complete its work so as to adjourn by Thursday, May 26.

On to Lewisburg is the slogan of the Presbyterian hosts of the South, for the General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church will hold its semi-centennial meeting there this week.

Lewisburg is located in the Greenbrier Valley of West Virginia, high up in the Allegheny Mountains, and, as a recent writer has said, one will there find "blue grass, blue limestone, and in the good town the bluest of Presbyterianism."

This highest court of the church is composed of an equal number of ministers and ruling elders, appointed by the eighty-four presbyteries which constitute this branch of the church, each sending two or four representatives, according to the size of the presbytery.

This will be one of the most important meetings of the assembly held for some time, as a number of very vital matters will occupy its attention.

The opening sermon will be preached by the moderator of the last meeting, Rev. W. E. Boggs, D. D., of Atlanta, Ga., and then a new moderator will be elected. Just who he will be no one can tell.

Large to the conduct of the work of the long to the conduct of the work of the church, such as mission work and education and other such matters, there are a number of questions that will come before the assembly on the report of committees appointed by the last assembly. When some matter of great importance comes before the body, which it cannot well handle at the time, it is customary to appoint a committee to call an adjournment to a later date, to consider it during the year and report its conclusions to the next assembly. This unusually large number of these committees was appointed last year and will report at this meeting.

On "Confession of Faith," will make report on the "elect infant" clause of the Confession of Faith. This clause states the belief of the church that infants dying in infancy are saved. But the form of expression is such that some outside of the church have misunderstood and so misinterpreted the question under consideration is as to whether any change shall be made in the wording of the clause. Rev. A. M. Fraser, D. D., of Staunton, is the chairman of this committee.

The committee that has had the heaviest work to do in preparing its report is that of which Rev. E. C. Gordon, D. D., of Lexington, Mo., is chairman. For several years this committee has been at work revising the citation of the Bible in proof texts quoted in the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms. This report was presented to the last assembly and sent to the presbyteries for their consideration. Now this assembly will have to see what the presbyteries have said, and if three-fourths of them have approved of the changes, they will be called upon to say whether in its judgment the changes shall be finally adopted.

The present moderator, Dr. Boggs, is chairman of a committee which has been instructed to consider the whole matter of receiving polygamists into the church. This is a question that often gives the missionaries in heathen lands some trouble, and to investigate the teaching of the Scriptures on the subject of divorce and remarriage.

To Change Organization of Union

Rev. T. C. Johnson, D. D., of Union

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Theological Seminary, of this city, is chairman of a committee to which has been referred a letter from the Synod of North Carolina asking that the organization of the synod be changed so that, instead of being composed of all the ministers and representatives from each of the churches in a certain territory, they be made the basis of representatives appointed by the presbyteries. This will very greatly reduce the size of these bodies.

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Rev. W. W. Moore, D. D., of the Union Seminary, is to report as to the advisability of observing "the Day of Reformation" (the first Sabbath of November) as it is observed in the French churches.

Judge F. B. Hutton, of Abingdon, is to report on the subject of the law governing the holding of church and college property.

The report which will probably awaken the most interest and call forth the most discussion is that to be presented by Rev. J. W. Bachman, D. D., of Chattanooga, Tenn. This report will deal with the subject of more closely coordinating the work of the various executive committees of the church, with the possibility that some of them may be combined, so as to reduce their number, and thereby that the work may be done more effectively and more economically. There are now six of these committees and one board of trustees.

Another report, which was left over from last year for further consideration at this meeting, deals with the appointment of a judicial court which shall decide all appeal questions coming before the assembly, and so saving the time of the members of that body for the regular duties that come before them.

Vacancy to Be Filled.

There is a vacancy in the office of stated clerk of the assembly caused by the death of Rev. W. A. Alexander, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn., and his successor will have to be elected. This is one of the most important offices in the church, and has been held by able men in the past.

Various matters will be brought before the assembly on overtures from the presbyteries, but this far no publication of any overture of great importance has been made.

A great deal of the time and attention of the assembly is always taken up with the regular work of the church, especially the missionary work at home and abroad. So far as can be learned from the reports that have already been sent in, the work in charge of the assembly will be very successful at what has been accomplished during the year. But one of the characteristics of the Southern Presbyterian Church is that it is never satisfied with what has been done, but is always trying to do more.

BELL DAY FUNDS REACH HIGH MARK

Thirty-six Hundred Dollars Collected for Home for Incurables.

With practically every station heard from, collections for the Virginia Home for Incurables on Bell Day, Monday, amounted to \$3,600. More than 700 women assisted notably in the work. Mrs. R. M. Pulliam, chairman of the general committee, which had charge of one thousand and one details for the success of the undertaking.

The following list shows how some of the money came:

Mrs. J. O'Donnell, president of St. Patrick's Benevolent and Social Society, \$305.65; Mary W. Thomas Auxiliary, Miss Mary W. Thomas and Mrs. Aubrey Young, two stations, \$150; Branch R. Allen stations, Mrs. James E. Gates, Mrs. T. E. Swain, Mrs. R. W. Payne, Mrs. David Simpson, Mrs. H. C. Lynn, and Mrs. John T. Wilson, \$285; Church Hill, Mrs. W. A. Cheatewood, Mrs. C. J. Billups, Mrs. C. W. Massie, and Mrs. Sallie Montgomery Brown, \$100; Chestnut Hill (Highland Park), Mrs. L. E. Enslow, chairman, \$124.04; Barton Heights (Brookland Park), Mrs. Ingles, \$70.57; Ginter Park, Mrs. J. E. Cox, \$25.90; Gwathmey, \$8.55; Washington Ward, Mrs. S. H. Bemis, \$9.88; Fulton, Misses Garber and Nelson, \$54.41; Anderson, Mrs. Charles Potts, \$52.94; Petersburg Turnpike, Mrs. Frank W. Danner, \$20; Bon Air, Miss Hazen, \$5.57; Howard Road, invalid boy at home for incurables, \$5.50.

The largest amount secured from one box was the station at the Chamber of Commerce building, under the management of Mrs. Charles T. Norman, where \$75.53 was collected. The second largest was at the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway's general offices, Mrs. L. L. Scherer getting \$74.51.

Members of the Confederacy rendered valuable assistance, among those assisting being Mrs. Norman W. Randolph, Mrs. B. A. Blenner, Mrs. P. J. White, Mrs. David Brown, Mrs. Teeley and Mrs. Horton. Mrs. Teeley and Mrs. Randolph went to the Locomotive Works and got money in unexpected quarters, nobody expecting to find a station that far from the main part of the city.

Members of the general committee assisting Mrs. Pulliam, the chairman, were Mrs. John Murphy, Mrs. William Hodges Mann, Mrs. S. Arthur Adamson, Mrs. Fitzhugh Mayo, Mrs. Claude Patrick, Mrs. Mann S. Valentine, Mrs. J. B. Pace and Miss Mary W. Thomas.

MAYOR APPROVES NEW SPEED LIMIT

Signs Ordinance Which Makes Fifteen Miles Motor Car Maximum.

VETOES EXCHANGE OF LOTS

West End Measure Sent to Council Without Executive's Approval.

Mayor Richardson yesterday vetoed an ordinance providing for the exchange of certain lots in the West End for the purpose of straightening the lines of a public alley. The reasons for the veto were not made public, being communicated in a sealed message to the City Council, which is now in the hands of City Clerk Ben T. August.

The reasons are believed to be of a technical character and to relate to the form of the ordinance.

The paper proposed or authorized an exchange of certain lots belonging to W. E. Purcell and Mary A. Phillips, fronting on the west side of Harvie Street, in return for certain alley space now belonging to the city and fronting on Grove Avenue. In other words, it was desired by the city, with the consent of the property owners, to turn the alley around and make it run east and west instead of north and south. There was no money involved in the transaction, which was intended as a mere exchange.

The Mayor returned to the city clerk with his approval yesterday the following papers, which are now in effect:

Resolution authorizing the hearing of allegations for street improvements throughout the city and for the paving of certain sidewalks and alleys at the expense of abutting property owners.

Open Lester Street.

Instructing the City Attorney to acquire land by gift, purchase or condemnation to open a new street from the intersection of Main, Lester and Poplar Streets, to the intersection of Lester and Nicholson Streets, Fulton, a part of the plan proposed by the City Engineer for a thorough boulevard along High way to Fulton.

Approving the award of contract to I. J. Smith & Co., Inc., for paving with asphalt blocks the roadway of Marshall, Clay, Eighth and Ninth Streets, around the John Marshall High School Building, at an estimated cost of \$15,000.

Approving contract to Maynard & Ford for construction of a main trunk sewer from the intersection of Bacon's Quarter Branch and the Boulevard, extended, in Henrico county, along the Boulevard to Broad Street, thence to Shepherd Street, to Grace Street; estimated cost, \$25,000.

Resolution permitting certain encroachments of granite coping in front of houses on Hanover Street, between Strawberry and Elm Streets, 2301 to 2313 Hanover Street, to remain, subject to revocation by the Council; also allowing encroachment of building at southwest corner of Hanover and Strawberry Streets to remain; also allowing encroachment of building at northeast corner of Main and Nineteenth Streets to remain, subject to revocation by the Council.

Instructing the City Engineer to assess damages to be incurred by reason of change in grade of the roadway at the intersection of Bowe and Marshall Streets, between Clay and Leigh Streets.

Dismissing Proceedings.

Instructing the City Attorney to apply to the Hustings Court for dismissal of the condemnation proceedings for the triangular lot bounded by Monument Avenue, Cleveland and Franklin Streets, offered by the city as a site for the Confederate Battle Abbey.

Instructing the Auditor to issue a warrant for \$11,057.71 for refund of the money for the needy Confederate Women.

Instructing the Commissioner of the Revenue to place R. E. Lee Camp Confederate Veterans, on the non-assessment list, as exempt from the payment of city taxes.

Ordering the payment of judgments obtained against the city in the Law and Equity Court by R. M. Beadles for \$1,018.53; by R. B. Bowe for \$132.24; and by the Co-operative Investment Association for \$11.23.

Authorizing the payment of the expenses of the special accountant in attending a convention of comptrollers and accountants to be held in New York City in June.

Authorizing the Committee on Light to enter into monthly contracts from month to month with the Virginia Railway and Power Company for lighting the streets of the city at the present rate until the municipal plant is completed.

Poles and Wires.

Approving award of contract made by the Committee on Electricity to Storms & Company, of Newark, N. J., for construction of the overhead distributing system in connection with the new electric plant; estimated cost, \$24,535.

Authorizing the free use of city water for the swimming pool at the building of the Associated Charities, corner of Fourteenth and Franklin Streets.

Approving the award of contract made by the Committee on Streets to Thomas A. Barry & Co. for paving the city's part of the roadbed of Oakwood Avenue from P Street to the gate of Oakwood Cemetery with granite spalls, many to have with like material between its tracks. The estimated cost of the city's part is \$3,300.

Appropriating \$2,500 to the advertising account to pay the costs of entertainment of the Governors of Connecticut and Rhode Island and a company of the new army of the Richmond Light Infantry Blues.

Authorizing the special committee on the Wise-Pollock investigation to employ a stenographer.

Automobile Speed Limit.

Granting permission to the Leigh Street Baptist Church to construct an

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Hot Rolls. Cake.
Tea. Coffee.

overhead bridge over an alley in the rear of the church.

Allowing the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company to construct and maintain a spur track into the property of J. B. Kidd, at the intersection of Bowe and Marshall Streets.

Ordinance providing for the establishment of a free dispensary in Washington Ward.

Ordinance fixing the limit of speed for automobiles, locomotives and all vehicles with motive power other than animal at not more than fifteen miles per hour.

Ordinance fixing the compensation of the substitute for the Civil Justice at \$10 per day on the days he is called on to sit.

Ordinance increasing the pay of the steward at the City Home to \$1,020 per annum and of the two ambulance drivers to \$500 per year each.

Ordinance naming the Mechanics and Merchants' Bank, of Manchester, and the Commercial National Bank, both in Washington Ward, as city depositories.

FINE DISPLAY BY POLICE FORCE

Spring Inspection Brings Forth Warm Commendation for Department.

Members of the Police Department of Richmond, including the Third District, in Washington Ward, were inspected yesterday afternoon at the respective stations, and it was the unanimous opinion of all the commissioners that the force never appeared to better advantage. Major Werner, Chief of Police, was highly pleased over the showing of his men, and was in a mood to be congratulatory.

Each district was inspected at its respective station, starting with the First and then on around back to headquarters, where the officers and the detective department were inspected. The force showed up in a strong, every man with complete equipment. Blue helmets, more in harmony with the uniform, have been exchanged this year for the grey helmet that it was customary to use in summers past.

Flowers at Second.

Each station in town had been brightly furnished and garnished for the coming of the Mayor, chief and commissioners. In the Second Station there were great bouquets of flowers, sent by some kindly hand that had not forgotten the services rendered by the officers. They decorated the sergeant's desk, and the office of Captain Epps.

The inspection began at 4 o'clock. Roll call was sounded, and then the full force of the First District with the exception of those who had been assigned to duty, was ordered up stairs into the drill hall, where equipment, uniform and personal appearance were carefully gone over by the commissioners.

Commissioner Bradley, of Washington Ward, who is newly elected, was introduced to the men, and the formality of looking over the patrolmen was soon finished. The members of the three stations looked sleek and span, and no word of complaint was uttered. According to the Mayor and the commissioners, the turnout was

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There were indeed weak spots in the "player" proposition, and yet they could not discard it, for by it and through it, there was opened up a new territory, so to speak, for the piano seller and piano trader, and "swapper." There are thousands of people in thousands of homes who want a piano in those homes, and are plenty able to buy them, but who, for lack of musical education, could not make use of the instrument; could not draw from it all the sweet music that it is capable of making, especially the country home, happy and altogether endurable.

It is no secret that musical folks and inventive genius have been busy for many years to overcome and blot out this "weak spot." Finally there came along the "Electrelle Player," and it soon proved that it was within its power to knock that "weak spot" right off the big "player" map.

The American Piano Company, of 437 Fifth Avenue, New York, a company that has been trying to solve the "player" problem, and had spent a vast deal of money in so doing, saw in the "Electrelle" the solution of that problem, and the American was not slow to acquire control of the selling rights of the "Electrelle," with which the piano had already become somewhat familiar.

It seems that the American Piano Company has acquired the selling rights to the "Electrelle," with the end in view of covering exactly the weak spot that has been referred to above, and the exhibition of its wonderful performing ability at the Horse Show Building yesterday, which performances will be continued to-day, seem to a layman to fully demonstrate that the weak spot has indeed been wiped out.

The writer is not much of a musician, but a great lover of the piano, even though he can't play on one, and he knows piano music when he hears it. He heard that made yesterday when a performer sat at the "Electrelle" and was charmed, all the more so when he learned that an unskilled performer like himself was drawing that sweet music from the instrument.

With the American "Electrelle" installed in a piano, any one—no matter how unskillful in the technical part of piano playing—can render any composition, not only with faultless precision, but with the personality and expression of an accomplished musician.

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The simplicity of the operation is such that the performer's whole attention and thought can be given to the music. The feet rest upon the piano pedals in the accustomed way, while the first three fingers of the right hand control the three grasping and expressive keys, and the left hand regulates the tempo.

The position and operation are as easy, natural and as nearly like piano playing by hand, as can be imagined. When the instrument is used to accompany singers, the performer is not distracted by physical exertion, and it is desired for use in impromptu dances, the tempo is set, together with the expression keys, and requires no attention.

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When not in operation, the device is invisible, when attached to either a Grand or Upright Piano. When in use, only a small metal roll holder, about one foot long, appears, together with the expression keys. When out of use, these slide back beneath the keyboard and become invisible, out of the way of any performer in playing the piano manually.

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